



**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
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The Junior League of Boca Raton Announces 2009-2010 Board of Directors

Boca Raton – The Junior League of Boca Raton, Inc., (JLBR) recently announced the new Board of Directors for the 2009-2010 League year. Leading the Board is President Linda Gunn, a member of the Junior League of Boca Raton since 1997. Before accepting the Presidency, Gunn served on the Board of Directors as President-Elect, Vice President Community and Vice President Project Development. She has volunteered in additional leadership positions such as The Milagro Center and Membership Development. She has also Co-Chaired the Circle on the Square fundraiser for Old School Square in Delray Beach and served on the Board of Directors for The Haven in Boca Raton.

A Michigan native, Gunn is a graduate of Michigan State University and has been a South Florida resident since 1990. Her professional work includes more than a decade in sales for the fashion industry. She is currently the Regional Manager for Luxottica, a manufacturer and distributor for prescription frames and sunglasses. Prior to this, Gunn served as the National Director of Sales for Pippo Italia, where she successfully launched an Italian watch line in the US and foreign markets. Gunn is the first President for the Junior League of Boca Raton who is single with no dependents.

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Gunn stated, “I am thrilled and honored to serve in this leadership position, following in the footsteps of amazing women who have paved the way for our organization to be known as a prestigious and influential group of women. There is a unique depth to our membership because we share something meaningful as we change the lives of those around us.”

Fellow members of the 2009-2010 Board of Directors are: President-Elect Samantha Vassallo, Vice President Communications Reagan Such, Vice President Community Kathleen Potts, Vice President Finance Crystal McMillin, Vice President Fund Development Nancy Dockerty, Vice President Personnel Leslie Jackson, Nominating Placement Chair DeLynn Trivison, Project Development Chair Jennifer Minton, Public Relations/Marketing Chair Kelli-Ann Bloechinger, Recording Secretary Kris Killip and Sustaining Advisor Joyce DeVita.

During her presidential acceptance speech, Gunn spoke about her personal experience, “After I moved to South Florida, I realized the volunteer component was missing from my life. I had always heard of the good works of the Junior League, and I knew they were a group of strong, accomplished and motivated women who helped make an impact on the community. I knew I needed to get involved. We are walking into a tough year and not every moment will be perfect. There will be peaks and there will be valleys, but I know that if we all bond together as one and we all work together as one we can create more and be successful.”

She also shared ideas of her vision for the JLBR. She said, “As a League, it is important for us to learn to become more issue based in order to tackle the urgent needs of our community. I look forward to seeing the amazing abilities of the women in our League, so that they, in turn, can accomplish great things for our community.”

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All women interested in becoming a member of the Junior League of Boca Raton are encouraged to attend the Candidate Education Sessions (CES) on Tuesday, August 11 at 7:00 pm at the

Vegso Community Resource Center (JLBR office) at 261 NW 13th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432. To RSVP or to receive additional information, please contact the JLBR office at 561-620-2553, or visit www.JLBR.org.

The Junior League of Boca Raton (JLBR) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving our community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. Since 1971, the JLBR has been an integral part of our community. This year, JLBR members will contribute more than 35,000 volunteer hours locally and donate more than \$300,000 to the South Florida community. The Junior League of Boca Raton is part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which is comprised of 292 Junior Leagues across the United States and in four countries.

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BACK ROW: Jennifer Minton, Kelli-Ann Bloechinger, Leslie Jackson, Nancy Dockerty, Samantha Vassallo, Reagan Such, Joyce DeVita and Kris Killip

FRONT ROW: Kathleen Potts, Crystal McMillin, Linda Gunn, DeLynn Trivison and Jan Kucera